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German Democratic Republic/Poland/China

FDD Abstract

DERUTRA DOCUMENTS ON GDR EXPORTS TO CHINA (74 pp; German; [redacted])

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[redacted] Comment: It will be noted that most of the shipments took place in January 1952, indicating a recent sharp increase in deliveries to China. Some of the items appear to have been "dangerous goods" as shown in the copy of the letter, dated 15 January 1952, from the agent in (C. Hartwig Corporation) in Gdynia to DERUTRA. However, it is not apparent from the goods listed, mostly products of the optical and scientific instrument trades, which were the "dangerous goods."

This 74-page photostated document [some photostats illegible] consists of DERUTRA (German-Soviet Transportation Agency) correspondence regarding GDR shipments to China (recipient: China National Import Corporation, Peking) via Gdansk, Poland.

The following information is included in the document:

1. Individual invoices, bills of lading, and packing slips of goods dispatched to China.

2. Consolidated lists of goods shipped to China which which were furnished by DERUTRA to the precision instrument department of the GDR Ministry of [Intra-German and Foreign Trade, to the DIA (Intra-German and Foreign Trade Agency), and to other agencies of the GDR government.

examples
Random ~~samples~~ of goods shipped: Crystal microphones, milling machines, electrical apparatus, Jena optical glass, testing machines, hygrometers, calculators, optical instruments, chemicals, single-ray oscillographs, etc.

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[Foreign language document or microfilm of it (C-7248) is available from CIA Library, [redacted]]

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